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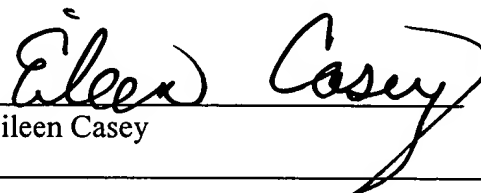
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 12, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-37 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims.

38. (New) A computer system for fetching, decoding and executing instructions comprising:

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